

### Our Mission

*Beth Shalom is a House of Peace.  
We worship the Lord,  
Reach out to Sinners,  
Teach Believers,  
Care for the Needy, and  
Encourage Each Other in the Lord.*

### CHURCH CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church School - Sunday 9:30am  
Worship Service - Sunday 11:00 am  
Prayer & Bible Study - Wednesday 7:00pm

### EVENTS FOR THE JULY 2018

*Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> - Ministry Team Meeting,  
7:30pm*

### EVENTS FOR THE AUGUST 2018

*Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarterly Conference, at  
7:30pm*

### SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE:

JULY - AUGUST 2018

Beginning Sunday, July 1, 2018

Service will begin at 10:00 AM

Sunday School will begin at 8:30 AM

## Peace Benediction in E<sup>b</sup>

Peace don't worry about anything;  
But pray and ask God for everything you  
need. Always giving thanks and He'll  
give you peace for your heart and mind.

And the peace of God  
which surpasses all your understanding  
will keep your heart and mind  
in Christ Jesus the Lord.

*(Adapted from Philippians 4:6,7  
Music by Darrell J. Gaskin)*

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*Share your plans with the Lord and you will  
succeed. Proverb 16:3 (CEV)*

# God is our refuge and strength

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*Presiding Bishop*  
Mrs. Devieta C. Moore,  
*Missionary Supervisor*

*A Compassionate Ministry*

## God is our refuge and our strength

1. Sometimes you will find yourselves living in a war zone.
2. Instead of seeking refuge in the world, let God be your refuge.
3. God will shelter you during the war and protect you from its destruction.
4. God is your strength. He will provide for you when your regular source of provision is disrupted.
5. God is an ever-present source of help, especially during difficult times.
6. He promises to restore peace and order to your world when others fill it with confusion and disruption.
7. Be still and know that He is God. He is the Lord Almighty and controls everything and everyone.



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*When conflicts are raging around you, look to Jesus. He is your God and will help you.*

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### OUR BIBLICAL TEXT FOR TODAY

*<sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. <sup>2</sup>Therefore we will not fear, though the earth gives way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, <sup>3</sup>though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.*

*<sup>4</sup>There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. <sup>5</sup>God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day. <sup>6</sup>Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.*

*<sup>7</sup>The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.*

*<sup>8</sup>Come and see what the Lord has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth. <sup>9</sup>He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.*

*<sup>10</sup>He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."*

*<sup>11</sup>The Lord Almighty is with us, the God of Jacob is our fortress.*

*Psalm 46, NIV*

*Our Prayer is that*

*You Receive God's Peace through*

**P - Powerful Preaching**

**E - Excellent Teaching**

**A - Awesome Praise and Worship**

**C - Creative Ministry**

**E - Engage, Exciting and Effervescent Fellowship.**

### What Did Pastor Gaskin Preach About Today?

During times of upheaval, when the conflicts of the world disturb your life, look to the Lord for refuge and strength. He will shelter you from the destruction going on around you and will provide for you when your regular sources fail. He will be your reliable help during the struggle and eventually will bring peace to your world. You have done all you can do; some things are out of your control; so, stand still and watch God be God. He will break the power of the warring groups and protect you. He will bring them judgment and you justice.

### WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH THIS MESSAGE

1. During troubling times, strive to maintain a strong spiritual life through Bible study, prayer and worship.
2. Don't be afraid. Let go and let God handle the problem.
3. Pray for others that they will find refuge in the Lord, too.